

In re Application of: KUMP et al.  
 Application No. 09/379,051  
 Filed: August 23, 1999  
 For: SEALED LEAD-ACID CELLS AND BATTERIES HAVING AN EXPANDABLE COVER

**COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir.

Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action in the subject application.

- Applicants claim small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
- Petition for Extension of Time
  - Applicants petition for a three-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee for which is \$920.00 (enclosed).
  - Applicants believe that no petition for an extension of time is necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, Applicants hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.
- No additional claim fee is required.
- Other: Three (3) Supplemental Declarations for Reissue Patent Application to Correct "Errors" Statement  
 Assent of Assignee

The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT		ADDT. CLAIM FEE		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	ADDT. CLAIM FEE
TOTAL	17	MINUS	20	=0	x 9=	\$		x 18=	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	2	MINUS	3	=0	x 42=	\$		x 84=	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE CLAIM					+ 140=	\$		+ 280=	\$0.00
						TOTAL	\$	TOTAL	\$0.00

- Please charge my Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the amount of \$920.00. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- A check in the amount of \$ is attached.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
  - Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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